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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Proposed Electric

Transportation Pilot and An Accounting Order to Defer Capital and Operating

**Expenses** 

Docket Number 2018-321-E

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Proposed Electric Transportation Pilot and An Accounting Order to Defer Capital and Operating Expenses

Docket Number 2018-322-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (together the "Companies") have received the letter, dated November 15, 2018, from counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") requesting that South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy be allowed until December 10, 2018, to file comments on the above-referenced dockets. The Companies have no objection to the ORS proposal to allow the ORS and interested parties to submit comments by December 10, 2018. In addition, we believe that allowing the Companies to respond to any issues identified in the comments is reasonable, and would result in the most efficient manner in which the Commission could consider the issues in its deliberations, and potentially allow time to resolve or minimize any areas of conflict. Accordingly, the Companies request that they be allowed to consider and respond to those comments on or before January 10, 2019.

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Thank you for considering our thoughts on the ORS request. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require any further information.

Sincerely,

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C: Parties of Record (via email)